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THE PRESIDENT'S SCHEDULE

Tuesday - January 23, 1979

8:15 Dr. Zbigniew Brzezinski - The Oval Office.

9:30 Mr. Frank Moore - The Oval Office.

10:00 Senator Robert C. Byrd. (Mr. Frank Moore).
(20 min.) The Oval Office.

10:30 Mr. Jody Powell - The Oval Office.

11:30 Senator Sam Nunn. (Mr. Frank Moore).
(30 min.) The Oval Office.

12:00 Senator Sam Nunn and Senator John H. Glenn, Jr.
(15 min.) (Mr. Frank Moore) - The Oval Office.

8:37 Depart South Grounds via Motorcade en route
U.S. Capitol Building.

9:00 State of the Union Address.

9:48 Return to the White House.

THE WHITE HOUSE
WASHINGTON

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Tim Kraft

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the President's outbox today
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Rick Hutcheson

cc: Phil Wise

THE WHITE HOUSE

WASHINGTON

January 20, 1979

MEMORANDUM FOR THE PRESIDENT

FROM: TIM KRAFT *TK*
SUBJECT: Mexico Trip

I am most concerned about the domestic political impact of your forthcoming trip to Mexico. From what I've heard about the agenda and schedule to date, there doesn't seem to be much that the almost 6 million Mexican-Americans in Texas, New Mexico, Arizona and California can relate to.

Phil has told me that you want to limit the number of Administration officials that accompany you on this trip. But I do think you should seriously consider taking five influential Southwesterners who can sense the empathy and accomplishments of the trip and report the same to their state constituencies. Our friends in the fourth estate, we can safely guess, will focus their reporting on energy and confrontation.

The five are:

(1) Leonel Castillo, Commissioner of the Immigration and Naturalization Service. Leonel is viewed by most as the top Chicano appointment in your Administration. It happens that it is also appropriate to the discussions that Leonel is along for you to consult if necessary. *ok*

(2) Lt. Governor Roberto Mondragon -- the highest elected Hispanic office-holder in the country, Roberto is serving with Governor Bruce King, in the same position he held from 1970 to 1974. *no*

(3) Governor of Arizona, Bruce Babbitt. Bruce, besides being a friend of the Administration (he's a member of the Advisory Commission on Intergovernmental Relations) is one of the four Southwestern Governors that make up the Border Commission. He's viewed as a liberal, a friend of the Chicanos, and he speaks fluent Spanish. *no*

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(4) Matt Garcia, State Representative, San Antonio, Texas.
Chairman of the Mexican American Democrats. Immediate
past Chairman of the Chicano Caucus in the State Legislature.
Dean of the Bexar County (San Antonio) delegation. Has served
in the Legislature 12 years. Highly respected attorney.

(5) Richard Alatorre, State Assemblyman from Los Angeles,
California, Chairman of the Chicano Caucus in the State
Assembly. Member of the Executive Committee of Hispanic
American Democrats. Highly visible young politician (38),
reputed to be heir apparent of Roybal's Congressional seat.
College Professor.

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January 23, 1979

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MEMORANDUM FOR THE PRESIDENT

FROM:

FRANK MOORE

F.M.

For your information

The following Members are the Democratic winners for the House Ways and Means Committee:

Thomas Downey (NY)
Cecil Heftel (Hawaii)
Wyche Fowler (GA)
Frank Guarini (NJ)
James Shannon (Mass)

HIGH MAN IN VOTING.
BENT HALL TX.
TWO VOTE NET

We will provide you with a detailed analysis of the vote and the makeup of the full committee as soon as possible.

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January 23, 1979

MEMORANDUM FOR THE PRESIDENT

FROM: FRANK MOORE *FM.*
SUBJECT: TELEPHONE CALL FROM CONG. HENRY REUSS
(D-WISCONSIN)

For your information

Congressman Reuss called you this afternoon. I returned the call on your behalf. He wanted to let you know that he thinks Jay Solomon is doing a terrific job and is the finest administrator he has seen in 26 years. He says that he knows you share this praise and that he is sorry to see the recent stories in the press.

He also advised that he is behind you all the way and supports what you are doing in the budget. (We will see how true this is during the HUD authorization process).

It is not necessary for you to return his call.

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January 23, 1979

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MEMORANDUM FOR THE PRESIDENT

FROM: FRANK MOORE *F.M.*

SUBJECT: Mrs. Javits and the National Council on the Humanities

You instructed Tim to find an appropriate slot for Mrs. Javits, preferably involving the arts. The ideal position would have been on the National Council on the Arts; unfortunately, we had already recommended and you had approved a slate of nominees to fill all existing vacancies. Accordingly, all of those selected had been informed and clearances had begun.

A short time ago, a vacancy occurred on the National Council on the Humanities. Tim suggested that we explore with Senator Javits the possible interest of his wife in being appointed to fill the unexpired term (through the end of this year.) We made it clear that if she accepted this one-year appointment, she would be prohibited by law from being reappointed. Also, we indicated to the Senator that the chances of her being considered for another federal position thereafter were slim since the argument could be made that she had had her opportunity to serve and others should be given a chance.

The Senator reported that Mrs. Javits would be delighted to serve on the Council on the Humanities and that she was determined to do such a good job that you would have no choice but to appoint her to the Council on the Arts later.

She will undoubtedly thank you at the China State Dinner so I wanted you to have this background.

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MEETING WITH SENATORS SAM NUNN AND JOHN GLENN

Tuesday, January 23, 1979

12:00 p.m. (15 minutes)

The Oval Office

From: Zbigniew Brzezinski *WB*
Frank Moore *FM/BB*

I. PURPOSE

To hear the Senators' views on security in East Asia.

II. BACKGROUND, PARTICIPANTS & PRESS ARRANGEMENTS

- A. Background: The Senators returned January 14 from a two week visit to East Asia, including stops at Tokyo, Bangkok, Manila, Peking, and Seoul. Prior to the trip, Nunn, whose knowledge of East Asia was limited, conducted an extensive study of the strategic and political balance in the region. Judging from his performance during the trip, he is now as current on East Asian security issues as he is on Europe/NATO/SALT matters.

Korean Security

The Senators are likely to raise with you their misgivings about maintaining the schedule for U.S. ground troop withdrawals from Korea in the light of upgraded intelligence assessments of the North Korean order of battle. They feel that the withdrawals, together with the termination of the Mutual Defense Treaty with Taiwan, makes us look weak in Asia, an impression not entirely offset by successful conclusion of the Philippine Base Negotiations (which they applaud). Their talks with Vice Premier Deng in Peking made the Senators more circumspect about Chinese ability or willingness to apply pressure in Pyongyang for a reduction of tensions on the Korean peninsula. During their talks with Vice Premier Deng in Peking, Deng told them that heavy-handed efforts to intervene in North Korean policy had cost the Soviets their influence in Pyongyang, and implied China would not make the same mistake.

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Review on January 22, 2009

Extended by Z. Brzezinski

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Both Senators favor a thorough reassessment of the military balance on the Korean peninsula before considering further troop withdrawals.

Normalization of Relations with Peking

Both Senators approve of normalization, despite irritation over the brevity of consultations. They want to make the policy work and see the maintenance of close relations with Taiwan, particularly arms sales as the key.

US-Japan Relations

During intensive discussions over security relations, the Senators were effective in convincing the Japanese that their relationship with us remains of paramount importance despite the attention given China at this time.

Indochina

Both Senators were impressed after their meeting with Kriangsak in Bangkok. They consider him a solid leader worth supporting. The Senators have been briefed over the buildup of Chinese military forces on the Vietnamese border, and are concerned.

Nuclear Power Plant Sales in Korea

Senator Nunn may also want to discuss restrictive regulations on environmental impact which are jeopardizing the competitive position of American bidders for Korean nuclear plants. The two current plans upon which American firms are bidding represent potential export sales of \$1.4 billion. The regulations prevent our firms from offering firm fuel supply assurances and pose requirements for environmental assessments on exported nuclear plants. Our competitors, by contrast, can make firm fuel supply assurances and need prepare no environmental assessment.

B. Participants: Senator Sam Nunn, Senator John Glenn, Harold Brown, Frank Moore, Zbigniew Brzezinski, Richard Holbrooke, Nicholas Platt (Notetaker).

C. Press Arrangements: Photo opportunity.

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III. ISSUES FOR DISCUSSION1. ROK Troop Withdrawals

-- Explain your commitment to Congress through your letters of July 20 to Senator Byrd and House Speaker O'Neill, to assess significant changes affecting the military balance on the Korean peninsula. Tell them we are engaged in a broad review of U.S. policy which will take account of recent developments such as the upgraded intelligence estimates, US-PRC normalization, the Sino-Japanese Peace and Friendship Treaty, and strengthened security relations with Japan. The results of the review will be reported to Congress before the next withdrawals are scheduled to occur. (FYI: The next withdrawal planned involved 235 men in April or May, the majority from Honest John missile facilities to be turned over to the Koreans.)

2. US-China Relations

-- Congratulate Nunn on the results of his conversation with Deng, particularly the Chinese assurances that Taiwan could maintain its security forces. This will be helpful in convincing U.S. opinion of Peking's peaceful intent.

-- Affirm your determination to maintain the full range of unofficial relationships with Taiwan.

-- Ask the Senators about Chinese influence over Pyongyang.

3. Indochina

-- Tell the Senators that we have urged restraint on both the Chinese and the Soviets in reacting to developments in Indochina. We have told the Chinese, who are very upset over the Vietnamese victory in Cambodia that international pressure is a better way of solving the problem over the long term than military action.

4. US-Japan Relations

-- Ask the Senators what steps we should take to strengthen security relations with Japan.

5. Nuclear Power Sales

-- Assure the Senators that the implementation of our fuel supply policies are not intended to inhibit exports. You will look into ways of resolving the problems raised.

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MEETING WITH SENATOR SAM NUNN

Tuesday, January 23, 1979
11:30 a.m. (30 minutes)
The Oval Office

From: Frank Moore *F.M./da*
Zbigniew Brzezinski *2R*

I. PURPOSE

To brief Senator Nunn on SALT.

II. BACKGROUND, PARTICIPANTS, AND PRESS ARRANGEMENTS

A. Background: This is part of your series of meetings with key Senators on SALT. Your meeting with Senator Nunn is more to discuss Soviet/SALT politics than the substance of the Treaty. Nunn understands the substance better than any other Senator.

Nunn is, perhaps, the most crucial Senator in the SALT ratification battle. Not only is he perceived to be an arms control expert, but his conservative credentials give him a great deal of credibility on the political side of the issue. He may be one of the only Senators who can effectively counter Jackson.

It would be interesting to know what his thinking is on the linkage issue.

We do not suggest nor do we think that Nunn will make an early commitment to you. However, we hope this will be the first in a series of meetings between you and Nunn that will end in Nunn's agreement to take on a leadership role for SALT ratification.

We believe he will study the final product very carefully and, perhaps, see the hearing process through before he takes a position. It is important, however, that he be as much of an advocate as possible for the Treaty during the Senate Armed Services Committee hearings.

B. Participants: Senator Nunn.

C. Press Arrangements: White House photographer.

III. ISSUES FOR DISCUSSION

As appropriate.

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January 22, 1979

MEMORANDUM FOR:

THE PRESIDENT

FROM:

RICHARD HARDEN

SUBJECT:

Meeting Between Miss Lillian
and Vice Premier Deng

When your mother was in town last week, we met with Sol Linowitz to discuss her continuing involvement in the world hunger issue. Sol suggested that she should think about meeting with the Vice Premier while he is in the country. Sol feels that such a meeting would assist in drawing public attention to the problem and enlisting support from various organizations. An understanding of how the Chinese have dealt with the hunger problem in a country with so many people would help educate the American public about some of the potential techniques for solving it. Because of the historic nature of the Vice Premier's State visit, all eyes will be watching, and much visibility and impetus to efforts in the area of world hunger would certainly result from a meeting of the two of them. ?

Your mother was receptive to the idea, and I asked Anne Wexler about the possibility of scheduling such a meeting either here in Washington or in Atlanta. Anne indicated that because of the tight schedule in Atlanta, it would probably be easier to schedule an informal meeting here in Washington. An additional advantage of her coming to Washington would be that she could attend the meeting of the World Hunger Commission on January 31st. Sol also indicated to me that he mentioned the idea to the First Lady last week.

If you think such a meeting is appropriate, I will work with Anne and your mother to make the necessary arrangements.

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Richard

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Jerry Rafshoon

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cc: Jody Powell
Zbig Brzezinski

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Mr. President:

I don't think you
should allow doing a
chinese interview box you
into a russian interview.

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January 22, 1979

MEMORANDUM FOR THE PRESIDENT

FROM: JERRY RAFSHOON *JR*
SUBJECT: Chinese television interview

The Chinese have requested a 10-minute television interview with you which will be broadcast in China prior to Vice Premier Teng's visit. The interview will be filmed by an American network crew and can be done with minimal effort - either in the Residence or the Cabinet Room. We are suggesting sometime on Wednesday.

They have also requested interviews with Brzezinski and Vance. I am recommending that we offer only you, but can arrange the others, if you want.

Brzezinski says that there should be no problem in making this same offer to the Soviets prior to Brezhnev's visit.

☒ Will do interview
☐ Will not do interview
☐ Include Vance and Brzezinski

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cc: Zbig Brzezinski

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January 22, 1979

TO: THE PRESIDENT
FROM: Fran & Phil

Mrs. Tip O'Neill has requested again this year that you and Rosalynn participate in an evening at Ford's Theater to help raise funds for their million dollar campaign. (Mrs. O'Neill is on the Board of Trustees.)

We recommend Thursday, March 8, as a date to offer Mrs. O'Neill. Rosalynn's calendar is clear.

Approve _____ Disapprove _____

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Cabinet

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- > M.T.N. - initiated - will pass - job gains
- > Inflation - guides nearly helped
- > Energy - In 8 1/2 SA 8 1/2 = usings
- > Windfall tax - Wed/Th + Cong ^{60 day delay}
- > 3 Mi. Is - Wed
- > Floods, etc - Jack/Pat 30% vs 8%
- > Budget - no floor amend - '80
 - > Econ GNP → Mkt → Orders → prod →
 - > Labor - Rubber - Uni. Royal (?)
 - > Hosp Cost
 - > D-2
- > DNR - JC meet E Ribicoff
 - > Energy Conservation - US. gasoline
 - > Panama - Senate may redeem
 - > Nat Health
- > Fritz trip - NATO +
 - > SALT II
 - > M. & E. Strauss - Borg Negot -
 - > Rhodesia - 63% Namibia. No S.A. ^{Ansolen}
PRC
 - > Lebanon. 500 → 5.

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- > Personal turnover

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THE CHAIRMAN OF THE
COUNCIL OF ECONOMIC ADVISERS
WASHINGTON

January 22, 1979

MEMORANDUM FOR THE PRESIDENT

FROM: Charlie Schultze ^{CLJ}
SUBJECT: New Orders for Durable Goods in December

Tomorrow (Tuesday, January 23) at 2:00 p.m., the Census Bureau will release its estimate of new orders for durable goods in December.

Total new orders for durables declined 0.1 percent in December. However, if orders for motor vehicles and parts (which largely reflect current deliveries of autos from manufacturers to dealers) and orders for defense goods (which are very erratic) are excluded from the total, the remaining orders went up 2-1/2 percent, a significant increase. The December level of total new orders was 5.4 percent above the September figure.

Orders for nondefense capital goods declined 1.4 percent in December, and this follows a 7.4 percent decline in November. This category of orders, however, had risen sharply in October, and the fourth quarter average level was still 11-1/2 percent above the third quarter figure.

These recent orders figures do not provide any important new insights about the outlook for 1979 as a whole. But they do suggest that durable goods production will continue to increase fairly strongly in the opening months of this year.

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Jim McIntyre
Bob Lipshutz

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PATTI - we should send this out since 'C' in this case means absent

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Mr. President:

Eizenstat, Wexler and Pettigrew concur with McIntyre and Lipshutz.

OMB and DPS believe that it is not necessary for you to read any part of the reorganization study memo.

Dick Pettigrew believes that the reforms would be enhanced by simultaneously announcing a reduction in the overall number of government lawyers, and by requiring government attorneys to account for their time by maintaining daily worksheets.

---Rick



EXECUTIVE OFFICE OF THE PRESIDENT
OFFICE OF MANAGEMENT AND BUDGET
WASHINGTON, D.C. 20503

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MEMORANDUM FOR THE PRESIDENT

FROM: James T. McIntyre, Jr. *Jim*
Robert Lipshutz *RL*

SUBJECT: Better Managing The Federal Government's Lawyers

On November 17, 1978, your Reorganization Project in OMB submitted a decision memorandum to you (attached) that reports on the results of a reorganization study of the Federal legal system and contains a number of recommendations for improving the operation of that system. In a series of meetings since then with the Department of Justice and the General Counsels of the affected departments, agreement has been reached that the management reforms outlined in the memorandum (in Parts 1, 4, 5, 6 and 7) should go forward as described. These reforms include:

- the establishment of a notice system that will provide for the exchange of information among agencies about what cases involving Federal agencies are pending in court.
- improving the computerized legal research systems and information systems presently available to some Government attorneys.
- implementing a "package" of other management reforms for our Federal legal system to reduce interagency legal disputes, make opinions of general counsels more available to the public, and improve the support and training of Government attorneys.
- the establishment of a Legal Council made up of General Counsels and chaired by the Attorney General that will work to improve the quality of Federal lawyers and better coordinate their legal activities.

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We will promptly begin to implement these management reforms.

Two other issues remain to be resolved at a later time. These both concern the question of who should handle litigation in court for the Government. The Department of Justice and the other Executive Branch departments and agencies have agreed that they will promptly meet to negotiate more effective ways of handling their litigation. We will report back to you by February 1, 1979, on the status of the matter (Part 3 of the memorandum).

We will also submit to you within several weeks our recommendations for handling the litigation authority of the independent agencies (Part 2 of the memorandum).

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MEMORANDUM FOR: THE PRESIDENT

FROM: James T. McIntyre, Jr. *[Signature]*

SUBJECT: Better Managing the Federal Government's
Lawyers -- Memorandum from Bob Lipshutz
and Me to You of January 8, 1979, Ap-
proved by You on January 23, 1979

Our memorandum of January 8th called for a February 1st status report to you on negotiations between the Department of Justice and the other Executive Branch agencies concerning the conduct of litigation. The discussions are underway as scheduled. To date, Justice has met with HUD, HEW, Interior, and Commerce. Better co-ordination and use of legal resources is already occurring as a result.

We will report again on the status, March 1st.

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THE SECRETARY OF HEALTH, EDUCATION, AND WELFARE
WASHINGTON, D. C. 20201

JAN 23 1979

MEMORANDUM FOR THE PRESIDENT

FROM: Joseph A. Califano, Jr. *JAC*

I understand that in your recent conversation with Mr. Roy Jenkins, President of the Commission of the European Communities, you discussed the possibility of approving new drugs for marketing in the U.S. on the basis of their prior approval by EEC countries or by a common EEC - U.S. review.

Several legal and public health obstacles argue against joint review at this time. For example:

- Under U.S. law, evidence showing the effectiveness of a new drug must come from well-controlled trials in humans. In the EEC countries the evidentiary standard is the opinion of experts, and in practice this standard turns out to be significantly less rigorous than ours.
- Animal testing requirements for safety, such as for possible long-term adverse effects and carcinogenicity, are generally lower in EEC countries than in the U.S.
- In the EEC countries, drug approval decisions are made in practice by commissions composed of prestigious academic physicians, not by government officials. Their drug approval process does not approach the degree of public scrutiny and legislative oversight exercised in the U.S.
- The drug approval laws and policies in the EEC countries themselves are not homogenous.
- The U.S. Food and Drug Administration is the recognized world leader in the review of new drugs, and many countries follow the decisions of the FDA. No drug regulatory authority in any EEC country comes close to the staff or expertise of the FDA.

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- The conservatism of the U.S. drug approval system has prevented a number of disasters which have occurred in other countries -- such as thalidomide -- from endangering U.S. citizens.

Given these considerations, I do not believe it wise from either the public health or political point of view to consider at this time any actions to base approval of new drugs on the reviews of other countries or on joint reviews.

As it now stands, there is already very substantial cooperation between the U.S. and foreign governments on technical matters related to drugs. We are working closely with the State Department to improve this cooperation. The personal contacts FDA officials already have with their counterparts in EEC will serve as a firm foundation for cooperation in developing:

- An international New Drug Application, uniform in content and format, and acceptable to all EEC countries and the U.S.;
- Common standards for animal toxicology testing;
- Common analytical methods and specifications for drugs;
- Common regulatory standards for assuring the manufacturing quality of drugs;
- Common guidelines for the clinical evaluation of drugs in humans;
- Common surveillance approaches in EEC countries and the U.S. for detecting and monitoring adverse drug reactions.

I have asked Dr. Donald Kennedy, Commissioner of the Food and Drug Administration, to contact Roy Jenkins to discuss this issue further, and to explore other ways we might cooperate with the Commission in this area.

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THE WHITE HOUSE

WASHINGTON

DATE: 23 JAN 79

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SUBJECT: CALIFANO MEMO RE MARKETING OF NEW DRUGS IN US

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+ RESPONSE DUE TO RICK HUTCHESON STAFF SECRETARY (456-7052) +

+ BY: 1200 PM WEDNESDAY 25 JAN 79 +

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ACTION REQUESTED:

STAFF RESPONSE: () I CONCUR. () NO COMMENT. () HOLD.

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THE WHITE HOUSE
WASHINGTON

MEETING WITH SENATOR ROBERT BYRD

Tuesday, January 23, 1979
10:00 a.m. (20 min.)
The Oval Office

From: Frank Moore ~~F.M./P.O.~~
Zbigniew Brzezinski 29,

I. PURPOSE

To brief Senator Byrd on SALT.

II. BACKGROUND, PARTICIPANTS, AND PRESS ARRANGEMENTS

A. Background: This is part of your series of meetings with key Senators on SALT. Byrd has been reluctant to discuss SALT and has on previous occasions turned down substantive briefings. When he met with Seignious about his nomination he said that the Administration should be cautious not to "politicize" SALT but rather that SALT will be driven in the Senate on its own merits.

We do not expect Byrd to take an early position on SALT. However, he can be crucial in keeping Senators who might be inclined to oppose SALT in a neutral position. Additionally, Byrd could help by downplaying the linkage between SALT and Soviet global activities, a subject which Baker has repeated often since his return from Moscow and one which is taking on considerable credibility on the Hill.

Thus far, only Frank Church has countered the linkage argument.

You may wish to feel Byrd out on making some public statement deemphasizing the linkage question. He may be reluctant to do this and, in fact, may believe it himself.

Byrd has a historical distrust of the Soviets but can be expected to help on eventually ratifying SALT. He may, however, be much more inclined to accept amendments or changes to the treaties to forge a bipartisan coalition if this will mean speedy ratification. As we have stated before, major alterations to the Treaty pose the greatest threat to SALT. You should emphasize this to Byrd.

B. Participants: Senator Robert Byrd, Zbigniew Brezezinski, Frank Moore.

C. Press Arrangements: White House photographer.

III. ISSUES FOR DISCUSSION:

As appropriate.